

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation on the Commission's own motion into the operations, practices, and conduct of Qwest Communications Corporation (Qwest), U-5335-C and its wholly owned subsidiary, LCI International Telecommunications Corporation, doing business as Qwest Communications Services (LCIT), U-5270-C to determine whether Qwest and LCIT have violated the laws, rules and regulations governing the manner in which California consumers are switched from one long distance carrier to another and billed for long distance telephone services.

Investigation 00-11-052
(Filed November 21, 2000)

**ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S
RULING SCHEDULING ORAL ARGUMENT**

This ruling grants Qwest Communication Corporation's (Qwest) request for oral argument on the Presiding Officer's (POD) decision, which Qwest included in its appeal of the POD.

Oral argument shall be held on:

Thursday, July 18, 2002
9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Commission Auditorium
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California

A. Oral Argument Schedule

Oral argument shall be conducted as follows. The three active groups of parties to this proceeding, Qwest, the Consumer Services Division (CSD), and

Greenlining Institute/Latino Issues forum, will have the opportunity to participate in the oral argument. Because the Presiding Officer's decision proposes a substantial fine against Qwest, the schedule divides the time evenly between Qwest and the other parties. Since CSD is bringing this matter before the Commission, we have allocated the time between CSD and the other intervenors appropriately.

Parties should understand that the time allocations listed below include the time necessary for any questions that a Commissioner might ask during the parties' presentation. We have also reserved additional time for Commissioner's questions at the conclusion of the parties' presentations.

The schedule is as follows:

Convening the proceeding (5 minutes)

Qwest's opening presentation (20 minutes)

CSD's presentation (20 minutes)

Greenlining Institute/Latino Issues Forum's presentation (10 minutes)

Qwest's rebuttal presentation (10 minutes)

Commissioner's questions not asked during the parties' presentation (25 minutes)

B. Handouts and Briefing Boards

Parties may distribute handouts or use briefing boards¹ at the oral argument consistent with the following:

- Parties must distribute copies of all handouts or briefing boards they plan to use to the other parties no later than 5:00 p.m., two business days before the oral argument (i.e., July 16 by 5:00 p.m.);

¹ The time limitations prevent the convenient use of overhead projectors by the parties.

- Parties shall provide copies of handouts sufficient for the Commission and others attending the oral argument;
- Parties using a briefing board shall also provide copies of the briefing board in reduced format sufficient for the Commission and others attending the oral argument;
- Handouts or briefing boards must include citations to record evidence clearly supporting any factual assertions;
- All pages and points should be numbered for ease of reference and to facilitate an understanding of the resulting transcript; and
- Handouts and briefing boards will not be received as exhibits.

IT IS RULED that:

1. Qwest Communication Corporation's request for oral argument is granted. The Commission shall hold oral argument on Thursday, July 18, 2002, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
2. The schedule for the oral argument is set forth in Section A of this ruling.
3. Rules concerning the use of handouts or briefing boards are set forth in Section B of this ruling.

Dated June 11, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ CARL WOOD

Carl Wood
Assigned Commissioner

/s/ JANET A. ECONOME

Janet A. Econome
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Assigned Commissioner and Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Scheduling Oral Argument on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated June 11, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

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N O T I C E

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